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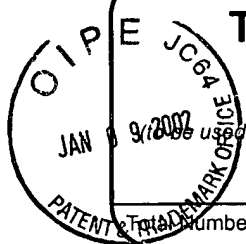
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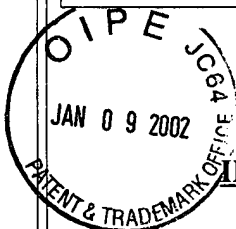
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the references below, also listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. Copies were provided in the related parent application (Serial No. 09/574,764, filed on May 19, 2000), or were cited by the examiner in that case, and therefore are not enclosed herewith pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(d), unless otherwise indicated. Documents not previously cited and marked with an asterisk are included.

The following U.S. Patents are set forth below by issue date.

AA. U.S. Patent No. 3,962,107, issued on June 8, 1976 to Levin et al

AB. U.S. Patent No. 3,997,576, issued on December 14, 1976 to Oghoshi et

al.

AC. U.S. Patent No. 4,064,062, issued on December 20, 1977 to Yurko
AD. U.S. Patent No. 4,219,435, issued on August 26, 1980 to Biard et al.
AE. U.S. Patent No. 4,374,056, issued on February 15, 1983 to Watanabe et
al.

AF. U.S. Patent No. 4,438,025, issued on March 20, 1984 to Satsuki et al.
AG. U.S. Patent No. 4,476,043, issued on October 9, 1984 to O'Lenick
AH. U.S. Patent No. 4,487,710, issued on December 11, 1984 to Kaminsky
AI. U.S. Patent No. 4,552,681, issued on November 12, 1985 to Koch et al.
AJ. U.S. Patent No. 4,597,898, issued on July 1, 1986 to Vander Meer
AK. U.S. Patent No. 4,705,644, issued on November 10, 1987 to Barone et
al.

AL. U.S. Patent No. 4,849,125, issued on July 18, 1989 to Seiter
AM. U.S. Patent No. 4,923,628, issued on May 8, 1990 to Appel
AN. U.S. Patent No. 4,931,202, issued on June 5, 1990 to Cotter et al.
AO. U.S. Patent No. 5,026,400, issued on June 25, 1991 to Holland et al.
AP. U.S. Patent No. 5,133,892, issued on July 28, 1992 to Chun et al.
AQ. U.S. Patent No. 5,213,705, issued on May 25, 1993 to Olson
AR. U.S. Patent No. 5,225,100, issued on July 6, 1993 to Fry et al.
AS. U.S. Patent No. 5,324,649, issued on June 28, 1994 to Arnold
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AW. U.S. Patent No. 5,397,494, issued on March 14, 1995 to Vega
AX. U.S. Patent No. 5,429,773, issued on July 4, 1995 to Sherry et al.
AY. U.S. Patent No. 5,475,134, issued on December 12, 1995 to Baker

- AZ. U.S. Patent No. 5,616,781, issued on April 1, 1997 to Sajic et al.
- BA. U.S. Patent No. 5,624,906, issued on April 29, 1997 to Vermeer
- BB. U.S. Patent No. 5,637,560, issued on June 10, 1997 to Raehse et al.
- BC. U.S. Patent No. 5,637,758, issued on June 10, 1997 to Sajic et al.
- BD. U.S. Patent No. 5,688,982, issued on November 18, 1997 to Khan
- BE. U.S. Patent No. 5,691,296, issued on November 25, 1997 to Agar
- BF. U.S. Patent No. 5,783,540, issued on July 21, 1998 to Secemski et al.
- BG. U.S. Patent No. 5,821,207, issued on October 13, 1998 to Kanai et al.
- BH. U.S. Patent No. 5,900,399, issued on May 4, 1999 to Seiter et al.
- BI. U.S. Patent No. 5,919,747, issued on July 6, 1999 to Kazuta et al.
- BJ. U.S. Patent No. 5,945,394, issued on August 31, 1999 to Sajic et al.
- BK. U.S. Patent No. 5,958,864, issued on September 28, 1999 to Gonzalez
- BL. U.S. Patent No. 5,961,662, issued on October 5, 1999 to Yamaguchi et

al.

- BM. U.S. Patent No. 5,965,508, issued on October 12, 1999 to Ospinal et al.*
- BN. U.S. Patent No. 5,968,891, issued on October 19, 1999 to Mallari
- BO. U.S. Patent No. 5,972,861, issued on October 26, 1999 to Rolfes
- BP. U.S. Patent No. 5,980,580, issued on November 9, 1999 to Yamaguchi
- BQ. U.S. Patent No. 6,025,320, issued on February 15, 2000 to Appel
- BR. U.S. Patent No. 6,057,280, issued on May 2, 2000 to Huish

The following foreign patent publications are set forth by approximate publication date:

- BS. EP 0 336 740, issued on January 25, 1995 to Hull

The following articles are set forth by the indicated year of publication.

- BT. Hovda, "Methyl Ester Sulfonation: Process Optimization,"
CHEMITHON, Seattle, Washington (1993)
- BU. "Surfactants," Inform 7(1):10-12 (1996)
- BV. Rao and Sajic, "Physico-Chemical Properties of Some Salts of Sulfo
Methyl Ester Surfactants," 4th World Surfactants Congress, pages 382-391 (1996)
- BW. Foster et al., "Manufacture of Methyl Ester Sulfonates and Other
Derivatives," CHEMITHON, Seattle Washington (1997)
- BX. Foster et al., "Medium to Very High Active Single Step Neutralization,"
CHEMITHON, Seattle, Washington (1997)
- BY. Foster, "Sulfonation and Sulfonation Processes," CHEMITHON,
Seattle, Washington (1997)
- BZ. Hovda, "The Challenge of Methylester Sulfonation," CHEMITHON,
Seattle, Washington (1997)
- CA. Macarthur et al., "Meeting the Challenge of Methylester Sulfonation,"
CHEMITHON, Seattle, Washington (1998)

The following co-pending application are commonly assigned with the instant
patent application.

- CB. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/574,996, filed May 19, 2000*
- CC. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/585,684, filed June 1, 2000*
- CD. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/481,851, filed January 1, 2000*

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Applicants believe that their invention as claimed is patentable over the above references taken alone or in any combination. However, Applicants reserve the right to demonstrate that their claimed invention was made prior to the above-identified references. No inference should be drawn as to the pertinence of the references based on the order in which they are presented.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references to make his own determination of the patentability of the present invention and that the references be made of record in the file of this application.

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